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PAYROLL LETTER #17-010

TO: All Agencies/Campuses in the Uniform State Payroll System

FROM: Debra Spellman, Chief  
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**RE: 1959 SURVIVOR BENEFIT PROGRAM, 5TH LEVEL DEDUCTION**

This letter announces an increase in the 1959 Survivor Benefit Program, 5th Level employee deduction amount from \$5.15 per month to \$5.20 per month effective with the July 2017 pay period. The amount was approved by the CalPERS Board of Administration for fiscal year 2017/2018 and authorized by the Department of California Human Resources and the Chancellor's Office.

The deduction codes 077 and 078 identify Survivors Benefit in the payroll system. The deduction code 077 amount is \$2.00 and the deduction code 078 amount is \$3.20. The Civil Service employees impacted by the rate change include all eligible rank and file employees as well as those excluded from collective bargaining. California State University employees impacted are those excluded from collective bargaining. No action from agencies or campuses is necessary to implement this change. The Personnel/Payroll Services Division implemented the rate change to deduction code 078 to \$3.20 in time for the July 2017 master payroll cycle.

For further information, please reference the CalPERS Circular Letter No. 200-037-17 – <https://www.calpers.ca.gov/docs/circular-letters/2017/200-037-17.pdf>. If you have further questions concerning this letter, please contact the Customer Contact Center at (916) 372-7200.

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